GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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Revival of Traditional Art and Culture
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken adequate measures to revive the traditional art and culture along with folk art of various States including Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the achievements made by the Government in this regard so far;

(c) whether the Government promotes various forms of folk art and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government has taken any measures to record and disseminate these art forms;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the steps taken by the Government to protect and promote creativity and performing arts and culture among people and set up culture Museums for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
AND
MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (c) Yes, Madam. To preserve, promote and disseminate various forms of folk art and traditional culture throughout the country including Chhattisgarh, the Government of India operates a number of schemes and conducts various activities through its several organizations including seven Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) with headquarters at Patiala, Nagpur, Udaipur, Allahabad, Kolkata, Dimapur and Thanjavur. Chhattisgarh comes under the jurisdiction of South Central Zone Cultural Centre (SCZCC), Nagpur and the centre has documented 132 audio, video and literature art forms including art forms of Chhattisgarh.

(d) & (e) The Zonal Cultural Centres and other institutions under Ministry of Culture take various measures to record and disseminate these art forms by implementing a number of programmes/schemes, inter-alia, Award to Young Talented Artistes, Guru Shishya Parampara Scheme, Theatre Rejuvenation Scheme, Research & Documentation Scheme, Shilpgram Scheme, Octave and J&K Festivals and National Cultural Exchange Programme (NCEP).

(f) There is no proposal to set up culture Museums in the country. However, the Ministry of Culture is organizing several cultural programmes on regular basis through its various institutions, not-for-profit organizations and individuals for this purpose.